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Current Status

The events below are what is known at the time of reporting, but the situation remains fluid.

Coutts

According to CBSA website, as of 11:00 Coutts border has resumed operations and traffic is able to proceed northbound and southbound. This was also confirmed on CBSA social media.

At 9:09 hrs, February 15, department staff in the South Region reported approximately 5 trucks on the side of the road at Coutts with all lanes open.

At 8:45 hrs, February 15, Preliminary reports from JSG indicate the convoy appears to dispersing, further reports will be available as the situation unfolds.

At 16:30 hrs, February 14, JSG communicated that Alberta RCMP updated their announcement of arrests made at Coutts Border Blockade. Additional individuals have been arrested in connection to the Coutts border blockade.

As of 14:00 hrs, February 14, RCMP reported that the blockade remained in place but the number of participants had reduced significantly by as much as 170 vehicles.

As of 12:45 hrs, February 14, RCMP had issued a news release communicating arrest of a small organized group with access to firearms and ammunition at Coutts.

Milk River Blockade at Highway 4 and 501S/501N Intersections

- At 9:09 hrs, February 15, Department staff in the South Region reported that RCMP checkpoints are still in place at Highway 4 South entrance at Milk River, and that it appears that protestors are packing up and leaving.
- *As of 9:00 hrs, February 14, JSG communicated that RCMP/Sheriffs have continued enforcement activities and that RCMP disabled three excavators so they can not be moved or used for any reason.*
- *The airspace restrictions above Milk River, AB and above Coutts, AB has been extended until February 16, 2022 (confirmed).*
- *RCMP requested speed limit reductions remain in force on Highway 4 at Milk River. Speeds have been changed to 80km/h then 50km/h as drivers approach the blockade.*

CBSA and Reported Border Crossing Hours of Operation:

- Alberta has 6 land border ports of entry, of which five are open (one is seasonal) and handling commercial and passenger traffic.
 - Carriers can also cross at other ports in Saskatchewan and BC.
 - Commercial carriers are encouraged to check with CBSA website for entry requirements and hours of operation.

- Alberta continues to work with CBSA to ensure efficient movement of goods including livestock and agricultural products.
- Trucking companies should continue to check with the CBSA/USCBP on particular load requirements.
- CBSA and USCBP continue to indicate they are prepared to adjust hours of operation at border crossings if needed, as volumes warrant.
 - As of February 15, there continue to be no reported delays at other ports.
- Over the weekend of February 12 and 13, CBSA was working towards a solution to provide all services at an alternate port and has engaged their partners in the Canadian Food Inspection Agency (CFIA) and Agriculture on the potential to move inspection services inland.
 - CBSA is accommodating regular commercial traffic at other ports.
 - CFIA oversees inspection/certification of agricultural and livestock imports.
 - As indicated below, livestock shipments coming into Canada can still be inspected at Sweetgrass, but must then divert to another port to enter Canada, while Coutts remains closed.
 - CBSA is working with these partners to try and establish all of these services at another port, so those shipments do not need to go to Sweetgrass first. This requires those other agencies to move inspectors.
- As of the evening of February 14, CBSA was no longer seeking to establish a designated port elsewhere.
 - Both borders have instituted similar processes to allow the continued movement of goods requiring inspection, without the relocation of operations.

Border Crossing	Status	Hours	Notes
Coutts AB /Sweetgrass MT	Open	Canada: (Services Temporarily Suspended) 24 hours / 7 days a week US: 24 hours / 7 days a week	Open Open
Carway AB/Piegan MT	Open	Canada: 8 am – 6 pm / 7 days a week US: 8 am – 6 pm / 7 days a week	Normal hours of operation. Sheriffs continue to ensure a checkpoint north of Carway is active while the port is open.
Del Bonita AB/Del Bonita MT	Open	Canada: 9 am – 5 pm (Monday to Friday) extended to 10 pm US: 9 am – 5 pm (Monday to Friday) extended to 10 pm	<i>Currently, CBSA and USCBP will operate Del Bonita extended hours today. This may change depending on traffic volumes and with Coutts reopened.</i> Sheriffs continue to ensure a checkpoint north of Del Bonita is active while the port is open.

Aden AB/ Whitlash MT	Open	Canada: 9 am – 5 pm (Monday to Friday) Commercial 9 am – 5 pm (7 days) Travelers US: 9 am – 5 pm (7 days)	
Wild Horse AB/Wild Horse MT	Open	Canada: 9 am – 5 pm (Monday to Friday) Commercial 9 am – 5 pm (7 days) Travelers US: 8 am – 5 pm (7 days)	

Updates for Movement of Agricultural Products (e.g. boxed meat) and Livestock from CBSA/CFIA and USCBP:

Southbound into US:

- For now, because carriers may be in transit already, CBSA has confirmed that USCBP will facilitate clearance of livestock at any of the other four operational ports *in Alberta (Wildhorse, Aden, Carway and Del Bonita)* but carriers will have to *divert to Sweetgrass* which has USDA and vet services.
- As well, for now, CBSA has confirmed that boxed meat can cross into the US at any port of entry in Idaho and Montana however, carriers will have to route to Sweetgrass for inspection.
- Alberta Cattle Feeders Association has requested an exemption from Transport Canada to the Hours of Service Regulation to accommodate carriers that are moving products through alternate ports. Transport Canada is prioritizing the request. *With Coutts open and normal traffic resuming, this request may no longer be required.*

Traffic Count Data

COUTTS – DAILY TOTAL NUMBER OF VEHICLES (ON HIGHWAY 4, 3 KM NORTH OF COUTTS) NOTE: DUE TO LOCATION OF TRAFFIC COUNTER IN RELATION TO PROTESTS, THESE VOLUMES DO NOT REFLECT TRAFFIC CROSSING THE BORDER	Two-Way	Southbound	Northbound
Average Weekday Traffic in January 2022	1,510	820	690
Monday, January 31, 2022	Blockade	Blockade	Blockade
Tuesday, February 1, 2022	Blockade	Blockade	Blockade
Wednesday, February 2, 2022	Blockade	Blockade	Blockade

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Thursday, February 3, 2022	Some traffic flow with RCMP escort	Some traffic flow with RCMP escort	Some traffic flow
Friday, February 4, 2022	Some traffic flow with RCMP escort	Some traffic flow with RCMP escort	Some traffic flow
Saturday, February 5, 2022	Some traffic flow with RCMP escort	Some traffic flow with RCMP escort	Some traffic flow
Sunday, February 6, 2022	Some traffic flow with RCMP escort	Some traffic flow with RCMP escort	Some traffic flow
Monday, February 7, 2022	Traffic flow with RCMP escort	Traffic flow with RCMP escort	Traffic flow
Tuesday, February 8, 2022	Traffic flow with RCMP escort	Traffic flow with RCMP escort	Traffic flow
Wednesday, February 9, 2022	Blockade	Blockade	Blockade
Thursday, February 10, 2022	Blockade	Blockade	Blockade
Friday, February 11, 2022	Blockade	Blockade	Blockade
Saturday, February 12, 2022	Blockade	Blockade	Blockade
Sunday, February 13, 2022	Blockade	Blockade	Blockade
Monday, February 14, 2022	Blockade	Blockade	Blockade

DEL BONITA – DAILY TOTAL NUMBER OF VEHICLES (ON HIGHWAY 62, 1 KM NORTH OF US BORDER)	Two-Way	Southbound	Northbound
Average Weekday Traffic in January 2022	50	25	25
Monday, January 31, 2022	300	170	130
Tuesday, February 1, 2022	350	200	150
Wednesday, February 2, 2022	400	250	150
Thursday, February 3, 2022	350	180	170
Friday, February 4, 2022	370	230	140
Saturday, February 5, 2022	Port Closed	Port Closed	Port Closed

Sunday, February 6, 2022	Port Closed	Port Closed	Port Closed
Monday, February 7, 2022	210	135	75
Tuesday, February 8, 2022	325	235	90
Wednesday, February 9 2022	620	335	285
Thursday, February 10, 2022	675	305	370
Friday, February 11, 2022	650	325	325
Saturday, February 12, 2022	230	130	100
Sunday, February 13, 2022	265	130	135
Monday, February 14, 2022	670	390	280

CARWAY – DAILY TOTAL NUMBER OF VEHICLES (ON HIGHWAY 2, 2.3 KM NORTH OF US BORDER)	Two-Way	Southbound	Northbound
Average Weekday Traffic in January 2022	80	40	40
Monday, January 31, 2022	240	120	120
Tuesday, February 1, 2022	230	100	130
Wednesday, February 2, 2022	240	130	110
Thursday, February 3, 2022	260	140	120
Friday, February 4, 2022	250	140	110
Saturday, February 5, 2022	320	220	100
Sunday, February 6, 2022	275	160	115
Monday, February 7, 2022	265	140	125
Tuesday, February 8, 2022	185	110	75
Wednesday, February 9 2022	220	125	95
Thursday, February 10, 2022	260	140	120
Friday, February 11, 2022	295	185	110
Saturday, February 12, 2022	415	240	175
Sunday, February 13, 2022	445	240	205
Monday, February 14, 2022	340	190	150

City of Edmonton and Surrounding Provincial Highway Network Area

- *At 12:06 hrs, February 14, JSG reported that social media posts from Rally 4 Resources and Alberta 4 Liberty, both key group organizers of previous convoys, indicate plans to conduct a convoy concurrent with the Speech from the Throne at approximately 11:00 hrs, February 22.*
- *At 12:06 hrs, February 14, JSG reported there are indications from law enforcement of some preliminary planning for a fourth convoy from Ponoka to Edmonton on February 19.*

City of Calgary and Surrounding Provincial Highway Network Area

- *No updates.*

Calls to Action on Social Media and Planned Protest Activity

JSG forecasts that while, "opportunistic pop-up slow-roll activities may occur throughout the province, such activities are likely to be small and short-lived."

Southern Region

February 15:

No activity reported.

Central Region

February 15:

No activity reported.

Peace Region

February 15:

- On February 11, Department ADMs provided their direct contact details to their NWT counterparts in the event something develops regarding a potential blockade in NWT.
 - The Peace Region Operation Manager and the local MCI are aware of the potential situation.

North Central Region and Fort McMurray Region

February 15:

- *At 12:30 hrs, February 8, JSG communicated social media reports of a Fort McMurray Supply Convoy 2022 to Ottawa intending to depart Fort McMurray for Ottawa on February 15. Tentative Route Edmonton, Red Deer, Calgary, Saskatoon, onwards to Ottawa through Sudbury Ontario.*

Activity Reports from Across the Province:

Southern Region

February 15:

See Coutts and Milk River on Page 1.

Central Region

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No activity reported.

North Central Region and Fort McMurray Region

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